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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: DEPARTURE OF AUSTRALIAN GOVGEN

REF: KABUL 1439 (NOTAL)

1. AUSTRALIAN GOVERNOR GENERAL SIR JOHN KERR DEPARTED
KABUL FOR THERAN 9030 MARCH 8 BY AIR. SCHEDULE HERE INCLU-
DED TWO MEETINGS WITH PRESIDENT DAOUD AND A DINNER GIVEN BY HIM
IN KEER'S HONOR. GOVGEN TRAVELLED TO MAZAR-I-SHARIF MARCH 7
TO ATTEND TRADITONAL "BUZKASHI" GAMES.

2. VISIT DESCRIBED HERE AS PROTOCAOL AND NON-SUBSTANTIVE,
ALTHOUGH INDICATIONS ARE THAT PRESIDENT DAOUD DID MAKE
KNOWN AFGHAN DSSIRE FOR AID OF "DEVELOPED NATIONS," LEAVING
NOT DOUBT HE WOULD BE PLEASED TO SEE AUSTRALIA INCLUDED AMONG
DONORS. AFGHANS ALSO REQUESTED AUSTRALIAN ASSISTANCE IN
MEETING NEED FOR WHEAT. ACCORDING TO BRITISH SOURCE,
AFGHANS TOOK ADVANTAGE OF KERR'S ONWARD TRAVEL TO TEHRAN TO
IMPRESS HIM WITH AFGHAN VIEWS TOWARD PAKISTAN IN HOPES
HE WOULD HELP IN MAKING THESE KNOWN TO IRANIAN GOVT.

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PRESENTATION OF THESE POINTS, MADE DURING 45- MINUTE

SESSION WITH PRESIDENTIAL ADVISOR (DAOUD'S BROTHER)
MOHAMNAD NAIM, SAID TO HAVE BEEN CONCILIATORYOUND TO HAVE
LAID EMPHASIS ON GOA'S HAVING NO CLAIM TO PAK TERRITORY.
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